

Committee Meetings

MINDING THE GAP: HOW OPERATIONAL ENERGY CAN HELP US ADDRESS LOGISTICS CHALLENGES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing entitled “Minding the Gap: How Operational Energy Can Help Us Address Logistics Challenges”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Sam. C. Barrett, Joint Staff, Director for Logistics, J-4; Lieutenant General Duane A. Gamble, U.S. Army, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-4; Vice Admiral Rick Williamson, U.S. Navy, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Fleet Readiness and Logistics, N-4; Lieutenant General Edward Banta, U.S. Marine Corps, Deputy Commandant, Installations and Logistics; and Lieutenant General Warren D. Berry, U.S. Air Force, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, A-4.

STRENGTHENING THE SAFETY NET FOR INJURED WORKERS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing entitled “Strengthening the Safety Net for Injured Workers”. Testimony was heard from Representative Carbajal; Christopher J. Godfrey, Director, Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs, U.S. Department of Labor; and Thomas M. Costa, Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security, Government Accountability Office.

THE OVERDOSE CRISIS: INTERAGENCY PROPOSAL TO COMBAT ILLICIT FENTANYL-RELATED SUBSTANCES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “The Overdose Crisis: Interagency Proposal to Combat Illicit Fentanyl-Related Substances”. Testimony was heard from Kemp L. Chester, Assistant Director, Executive Office of the President, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Louis J. Milione, Principal Deputy Administrator, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Department of Justice; Lisa O. Monaco, Deputy Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice; Douglas Throckmorton, M.D., Deputy Director for Regulatory Programs, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Nora D. Volkow, M.D., Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

INNOVATIVE MUNICIPAL LEADERSHIP IN CENTRAL EUROPE: FOUNDING MEMBERS OF THE PACT OF FREE CITIES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment, and Cyber held a hearing entitled “Innovative Municipal Leadership in Central Europe: Founding Members of the Pact of Free Cities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WHAT MORE PUBLIC LANDS LEASING MEANS FOR ACHIEVING U.S. CLIMATE TARGETS

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “What More Public Lands Leasing Means for Achieving U.S. Climate Targets”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5477, the “Federal Agency Climate Planning, Resilience, and Enhanced Preparedness Act”; H.R. 4688, the “Federal Agency Customer Experience Act”; H.R. 5792, the “State and Local Digital Services Act”; H.R. 4778, the “District of Columbia Courts Vacancy Reduction Act”; H.R. 6066, the “Strengthening the Office of Personnel Management Act”; H.R. 700, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 303 East Mississippi Avenue in Elwood, Illinois, as the “Lawrence M. ‘Larry’ Walsh Sr. Post Office”; H.R. 3508, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 39 West Main Street, in Honeoye Falls, New York, as the “CW4 Christian J. Koch Memorial Post Office”; H.R. 4899, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10 Broadway Street West, in Akeley, Minnesota, as the “Neal Kenneth Todd Post Office”; H.R. 5271, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2245 Rosa L Parks Boulevard in Nashville, Tennessee, as the “Thelma Harper Post Office Building”; H.R. 5577, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3900 Crown Road Southwest in Atlanta, Georgia, as the “John R. Lewis Post Office Building”; H.R. 5650, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service at 16605 East Avenue of the Fountains in Fountain Hills, Arizona, as the “Dr. C.T. Wright Post Office Building”; and H.R. 5659, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1961 North C Street in Oxnard, California, as the “John R. Hatcher III Post Office Building”. H.R. 4688, H.R. 5792, H.R. 4778, H.R. 6066, and H.R. 5477 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 700, H.R.

3508, H.R. 4899, H.R. 5271, H.R. 5577, H.R. 5650, and H.R. 5659 were ordered reported, without amendment.

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FIND JEFFREY BOSSERT CLARK IN CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS; FURTHER EXTENDING GOVERNMENT FUNDING ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on a Resolution Recommending That The House Of Representatives Find Jeffrey Bossert Clark In Contempt Of Congress For Refusal To Comply With A Subpoena Duly Issued By The Select Committee To Investigate The January 6th Attack On The United States Capitol; and H.R. 6119, the “Further Extending Government Funding Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a closed rule providing for consideration of H.R. 6119, the “Further Extending Government Funding Act”. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule provides that proceedings may be postponed through December 10, 2021, on measures that were the object of motions to suspend the rules on the legislative days of November 30 or December 1, 2021, and on which the yeas and nays were ordered. The rule provides that House Resolution 188 is amended by striking “December 3, 2021” each place it appears and inserting “January 21, 2022”. The rule provides that on any legislative day of the second session of the One Hundred Seventeenth Congress before January 10, 2022, the Speaker may dispense with organizational and legislative business; and the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved if applicable. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thompson of Mississippi, Chairman DeLauro, and Representatives Cheney, Armstrong, and Granger.

ENSURING AMERICAN LEADERSHIP IN MICROELECTRONICS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Ensuring American Leadership in Microelectronics”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE EVOLVING CYBERSECURITY LANDSCAPE: FEDERAL PERSPECTIVES ON SECURING THE NATION’S INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Evolving Cybersecurity Landscape: Federal Perspectives on Securing the Nation’s Infrastructure”. Testimony was heard from Cordell Schachter, Chief Information Officer, Department of Transportation; Larry Grossman, Chief Information Security Officer, Federal Aviation Administration; Victoria Newhouse, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Policy, Plans, and Engagement, Transportation Security Administration; Rear Admiral John W. Mauger, Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy (CG–5P), U.S. Coast Guard; Kevin Dorsey, Assistant Inspector General for Information Technology Audits, Office of Inspector General, Department of Transportation; and Nick Marinos, Director, Information Technology and Cybersecurity, Government Accountability Office.

SUPPORTING U.S. WORKERS, BUSINESSES, AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE FACE OF UNFAIR CHINESE TRADE PRACTICES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing entitled “Supporting U.S. Workers, Businesses, and the Environment in the Face of Unfair Chinese Trade Practices”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1307)

S. 1031, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on disparities associated with race and ethnicity with respect to certain benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Signed on November 30, 2021. (Public Law 117–66)

S. 894, to identify and refer members of the Armed Forces with a health care occupation who are separating from the Armed Forces for potential employment with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Signed on November 30, 2021. (Public Law 117–67)

S. 1095, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the disapproval by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of courses of education offered by public institutions of higher learning that do not charge veterans the in-State tuition rate for purposes